ORDINANCE NO.: 2020-16

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SIGNAL MOUNTAIN MUNICIPAL CODE, TITLE 19, CHAPTER 3 BY MOVING IT TO TITLE 12, CHAPTER 6, IN ORDER TO ADOPT THE NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE, 2017 EDITION AS THE OFFICIAL ELECTRICAL CODE OF THE TOWN OF SIGNAL MOUNTAIN.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SIGNAL MOUNTAIN, TENNESSEE, That Title 19, Chapter 6, of the Town of Signal Mountain Municipal Code, be moved to Title 12, Chapter 6 and is hereby amended by striking the same said section in its entirety and substituting in lieu thereof the following words and figures:

CHAPTER 6

ELECTRICAL CODE

SECTION

- 12-601. Code adopted.
- 12-602. Amendments to the code adopted.
- 12-603. Electrical permits.
- 12-604. Temporary permission to use current.
- 12-605. Reinspection and correction of defects.
- 12-606. Violations and penalties.
- 12-607. Stop work orders.
- 12-608. Fee Schedule.

12-601. <u>Code Adopted.</u> The National Electrical Code, 2017 Edition (NFPA 70: National Electrical Code, International Electrical Code Series) is hereby adopted as the official electrical code of the Town. Such Code is adopted by reference pursuant to the provisions of T.C.A. §6-54-501 through §6-54-506. All tables and examples included in the National Electrical Code, 2017 Edition, are adopted by the Town of Signal Mountain except as amended by Section 12-602. The provisions of such National Electrical Code shall be in full force and effect to the same extent as if such provisions were copied verbatim herein.

12-602. Amendments to the Code Adopted.

The following sections of the National Electrical Code, 2017 Edition, are hereby amended, as hereinafter approved:

- (a) Sections 110.24 Available Fault Current shall be optional;
- (b) Arc Fault Circuit Interrupters (AFCIs) shall be optional for bathrooms, laundry areas, garages, unfinished basements, which are portions or areas of the basement not intended

- as habitable rooms and limited to storage, work or similar area, and for the branch circuits dedicated to supplying refrigeration equipment.
- (c) Sections 210.52 C (2) and (3) are deleted in their entirety and Section 210.52 C (5), all reference to the paragraph entitled "Exception" is deleted in its entirety.
- (d) "Electric fences" consisting of an above ground electrically charged conductor or other above ground electrically charged device intended to enclose or restrict persons or animals by electric shock shall not be installed or used regardless of its source of supply within the Town.
- 12-603. <u>Electrical permits.</u> (1) Required. No alteration or change shall be made in the wiring of any building or premises, nor shall any building or premises be wired for the placing of electric lights, motors, signs or devices, without first securing from the Electrical Inspector or Building Official, a permit therefor. No change shall be made in the electric installation after inspection without notifying the electrical inspector and securing a permit therefor.
- (2) Application. A permit required by this chapter shall be issued only upon written application therefor to the town. All applications for permits shall be made by and in the name of the licensed electrical contractor undertaking to do the work proposed and also in the name of the person with whom or by whom the contractor is associated or employed.
- 12-604. <u>Temporary permission to use current</u>. The Electrical Inspector may, in his discretion, give temporary permission for a reasonable time, to supply and use current in part of an electrical installation before such installation has been fully completed and the certificate issued. (1985 Code, § 4-307)
- 12-605. <u>Reinspection and correction of defects.</u> Any work which fails initial inspection shall be subject to reinspection including fees associated with reinspection per Title 5, Chapter 5, Section 507(c).
- 12-606. <u>Violations and penalties</u>. Any person who shall violate or fail to comply with any of the provisions of this chapter will be subject to citation to appear before the Administrative Hearing Officer. Upon determining that a violation does exist, the Hearing Officer has the authority to levy a fine in accordance with Section 12-1108 of the Signal Mountain Municipal Code. For violations occurring upon residential property a hearing officer has the authority to levy a fine upon the violator not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per violation. For violations occurring upon non-residential property a hearing officer has the authority to levy a fine upon the violator not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per violation per day. Any fine levied by a hearing officer must be reasonable based upon the totality of the circumstances.
- 12-607. Stop work orders. Upon notice from the Code Official, any work that is being done contrary to the provisions of this code or in a dangerous or unsafe manner shall immediately cease. Such notice shall be in writing and shall be given to the owner of the property, or to the owner's agent, or to the person doing the work. The notice shall state the conditions under which work is authorized to resume. Where an emergency exists, the Code

Official shall not be required to give a written notice prior to stopping the work. Any person who shall continue any work in or about the structure after having been served with a stop work order, except such work as that person is directed to perform to remove a violation or unsafe condition, will be subject to citation to appear before the Administrative Hearing Officer.

12-608. Fee Schedule. Fee Schedule is located in Title 5, Chapter 5, 5-512

Passed First Reading: August 24, 2020

Passed Second Reading: September 14, 2020

Dan Landrum, Mayor

Recorder